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SUBJECT: INTERIOR MINISTER REACTS TO PAKISTANI COUNTERPART

REF: A. (A) KABUL 02021

[1](#)B. (B) OSC ARTICLE: SAP20090719102001

[1](#)C. 7/19/09

[1](#)D. (C) OSC ARTICLE: IAP20090719950007

Classified By: Deputy Ambassador Francis J. Ricciardone for reasons 1.4  
(b) and (d)

- [1](#)1. (S) SUMMARY: Afghan Minister of Interior Hanif Atmar told us that public claims by his Pakistani counterpart that Afghanistan has admitted
- [1](#)2. (SBU) Following a July 19th visit to Afghanistan, during which he met with President Karzai and Minister Atmar (Ref A), Pakistani Interior
- [1](#)3. (SBU) Atmar said there is refugee camp in Kandahar that serves 400 to 500 Balochi and Sindhi separatists who fled Pakistan following former
- [1](#)4. (U) Atmar held a press conference on August 2 (Ref C) to dispute several of Malik's allegations. He told the media that the charge that the
- [1](#)5. (U) Atmar also took issue with Malik's statement that 90 percent of terrorists arrested in Pakistan were of Afghan origin. We disagree with
- [1](#)6. (SBU) Malik's public comments are a distraction from the important issues that the U.S., Afghanistan and Pakistan need to focus on in the u  
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